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Via Telecopy

Thomas Krueger
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
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Re: **Ellsworth Industrial Park Site, Downers Grove, IL**

Dear Mr. Krueger:

Litton Systems, Inc., for its former Liberty Copper and Wire operation (Litton), received EPA's General Notice Letter concerning the Ellsworth Industrial Park Site in Downers Grove, DuPage County, IL (Site). In its General Notice letter, EPA requests that Litton, either individually or through a steering committee, indicate its willingness to perform or finance a remedial investigation/feasibility study at the Site. This letter constitutes Litton's response to EPA's request.

While Liberty Copper and Wire may have operated at or near the Ellsworth Industrial Park, Litton has been unable to locate any records or other such information concerning its alleged relationship with the contamination at the Site. To assist in our investigation, we request that EPA provide copies of any information supporting Liberty Copper and Wire's alleged involvement at the Site. If available information supports Liberty Copper and Wire's alleged PRP status, Litton will participate with the other PRPs in the performance or financing of an RI/FS in a manner commensurate with Liberty Copper and Wire's alleged involvement.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 703-875-8422.

Sincerely,

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